

# OPERATION



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**WHAT:** The Kansas African American Affairs Commission and Geary County Commission Economic Access and Opportunity Summit

**WHEN:** **October 2 and 3, 2013**

**Geary County Convention Center, 310 Hammons Drive, Junction City, KS 66441**

**Host Organization:** Kansas African American Affairs Commission

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**WHY ATTEND:**

Minority and women owned businesses gaining access to procurement opportunity is critical to counteract inequity in spending and contracting at all levels. This conference is designed to provide attendees with information intended to increase participation in procurement processes, forecast relevant areas of sectorial growth, gain access to organizational decision makers, and improve social capital through networking events. Additionally, given the success of this event and over a period of time, it is expected that minority unemployment rates will decrease as minority business owners more frequently hire minority employees!

**EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Minority and women owned business owners (located in and out of State) will gain information about relocation incentives and procurement opportunities in Kansas
- Kansas minority start up business owners will attend access and capacity building workshops, and will participate in a joint venturing event designed to grow, rebuild or sustain their business
- Summit participation is **free** for all participants - conference meals are also provided

**CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRS:**

Mr. Larry Hicks,

Geary County Commission

Mildred Edwards, Ph.D.

KS African American Affairs Commission (KAAAC)

Nathaniel Terrell, Ph.D.

KAAAC Chairman and District 1 Representative



# OPERATION ALL ACCESS EVENT SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, October 2, 2013:**


7:00 p.m. Business Welcome Reception (by invitation only)

**Thursday, October 3, 2013:**

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7:30 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast Buffet		
8:00 a.m.		<p><b>Welcome</b> <b>Occasion and Introduction of Commissioners and Collaborative Partners</b></p> <p><b><u>Inaugural Arthur Fletcher Keynote Presentation</u></b> John A. Clendenin, Senior Associate Dean of Postgraduate Programs of IE University</p>	
9:00 a.m.	<p><b>Visiting Growth</b> Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Recruitment <b>Public</b> Panel Presentation</p>	<p><b>Kansas Growth</b> Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise <b>Private</b> Panel Presentation</p>	<p><b>Kansas Start Up</b> Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise educational workshops intended to build their capacity and aid their recovery, retention and expansion in times of limited resources.</p>
10:30 a.m.	Break		
10:45 a.m.	<p><b>Visiting Growth</b> Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Recruitment <b>Private</b> Panel Presentation</p>	<p><b>Kansas Growth</b> Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise <b>Public</b> Panel Presentation</p>	<p><b>Kansas Start Up</b> capacity building workshops continued. This workshop is hosted by the MidAmerica Minority Supplier Development Council.</p>
12:00 noon		<p><b>Luncheon</b> Governor Sam Brownback Opportunities for Minority and Women Business Owners in Growing the Kansas Economy</p>	
1:30 p.m.	<p>Anthony Williams, President and CEO <b>The Mentor – Protégé Roundtable</b> A discussion format will be used to enable Kansas small business owners the opportunity to meet and discuss joint venturing, partnering, and mentoring opportunities with visiting well-established minority business owners.</p> <div></div>		



3:00 p.m.		<p><b>Small Minority and Women Owned Business Policy Discussion</b>  <b>Kansas African American Legislative Caucus</b></p> <p>Senator Oletha Faust-Goudeau, Chairperson</p>
4:00 p.m.		<p><b>Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation for Public Good</b></p> <p>Tony Salazaar, MSW  President, West Coast Operations for McCormack Baron Salazar  <i>(invited)</i></p>

#### OTHER CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Andrea (A'Jay) Scipio, KAAAC Equity Project Director  
Judith Carmichael Brown, Event Consultant  
Donna Wright, Vice President MidAmerica Minority Business Suppliers Council  
LaFarris Risby, Minority/Women Business Owner  
LaKeisha Johnson, Minority/Women Business Owner  
Major Ivy Williams, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

#### PUBLIC PANEL PARTICIPANTS

Deputy Secretary Steve Kelly, Kansas Department of Commerce *(confirmed)*  
Tracy Diel, State of Kansas Department of Administration *(confirmed)*  
State of Kansas Department of Children and Families *(invited)*  
State of Kansas Department of Transportation *(invited)*  
Chris Haislett, City of Wichita Purchasing, Contract Compliance *(invited)*  
City of Topeka Purchasing *(invited)*  
Kansas City Unified Government Purchasing *(invited)*  
Jason Gerloff, NBADF Contracting Officer, U.S. Small Business Administration *(confirmed)*

#### PRIVATE PANEL PARTICIPANTS

Marvin Carolina, Vice President of Diversity at JE Dunn Construction *(confirmed)*  
Bonnie Fullinwider, Supplier Diversity Program/Supply Chain Compliance at HawkerBeechcraft *(confirmed)*  
Joe Coe, Director of Supplier Diversity at Boyd Gaming *(confirmed)*  
Jennifer Bergman, Cox Communications *(confirmed)*  
Customer and Community Relations at Westar Energy *(confirmed)*

**CALL THE KANSAS AFRICAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION OFFICE  
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